

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
EISENBLÄTTER, Gerd

Serial No.: Not yet assigned

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For: MATERIAL MACHINING BELTS, ESPECIALLY GRINDING AND/OR
POLISHING BELTS, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF MATERIAL
MACHINING BELTS

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Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned
Examiner: Not yet assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. A marked-up copy of the claims showing the changes made below is submitted herewith.

Sub B) 1. (Amended) Material machining belt, especially a grinding or polishing belt, with a releasable shape-mated connection device on the end to form an endless belt, in which the shape-mated connection device is formed with a recess with a closed edge on end and a counterpiece on the other end, characterized in that the recess is designed as an elongated hole whose length corresponds roughly to the width of the material machining belt, and whose longitudinal axis runs parallel to the long sides of the material machining belt, in that the elongated hole has a first and a second region, in which the expansion in the transverse direction of the material machining belt, of the first region is greater than the expansion of the second region,

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